

CLAIMS

I (We) claim:

1. A kiosk for use in association with a security check point permitting deposit of prohibited items for shipment to a desired location, said kiosk comprising an enclosure adapted to store packaging materials and labels providing instructions for shipment, said enclosure having a counter top, a tamper proof door hinged in said counter top, said tamper proof door adapted to permit one-way passage of items into said enclosure.

2. A kiosk of claim 1 wherein said enclosure includes a camera mounted to provide a view of said counter top, said camera operatively connected to a visual recording device, said visual recording device making a permanent record.

3. A kiosk of claim 1 wherein said enclosure includes a microphone operatively connected to an audible recording device, said audible recording device adapted to make a permanent record of instructions.

4. A kiosk of claim 1 wherein said enclosure is portable.

1 5. A kiosk of claim1 wherein said enclosure is stationary.

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3 6. A kiosk of claim 5 wherein said enclosure is connected to a shaft, said shaft adapted
4 to pass items for shipment therethrough.

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6 7. A kiosk of claim 1 wherein said tamper proof door is connected to a payment device,
7 whereby operation of said payment device releases said tamper proof door.

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9 8. A kiosk of claim 1 wherein a safety depository is attached inside said enclosure, said
10 depository having reinforced walls, said counter top being reinforced, said tamper proof
11 door accessing the interior of said safety depository.

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13 9. A kiosk of claim 2 wherein a safety depository is attached inside said enclosure, said
14 depository having reinforced walls, said counter top being reinforced, said tamper proof
15 door accessing the interior of said safety depository.

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17 10. A kiosk of claim 3 wherein a safety depository is attached inside said enclosure,
18 said depository having reinforced walls, said counter top being reinforced, said tamper
19 proof door accessing the interior of said safety depository.

1 11. The combination of a kiosk and a security check point, said security check point
2 having inspection devices consisting of one of the group of a magnetometer, X-ray
3 equipment, radiation detectors, chemical detectors or biological detectors, said kiosk
4 permitting deposit of prohibited items for shipment to a desired location, said kiosk
5 comprising an enclosure adapted to store packaging materials and labels providing
6 instructions for shipment, said enclosure having a counter top, a tamper proof door
7 hinged in said counter top, said tamper proof door adapted to permit one-way passage
8 of items into said enclosure, said enclosure includes a camera mounted to provide a
9 view of said counter top, said camera operatively connected to a visual recording
10 device, said visual recording device making a permanent record, and said enclosure
11 includes a microphone operatively connected to an audible recording device, said
12 audible recording device adapted to make a permanent record of instructions.

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14 12. The combination of claim 11 wherein a safety depository is attached inside said
15 enclosure, said depository having reinforced walls, said counter top being reinforced,
16 said tamper proof door accessing the interior of said safety depository.

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18 13. A method by which passengers reduce the loss of prohibited items at a security
19 check point comprising the steps of
20 (a) providing a kiosk adjacent said security check point, said kiosk equipped with
21 devices facilitating shipment of the items,

1 (b) using said devices to relate the item with the passenger,

2 (c) using said devices to identify the destination of the item,

3 (d) completing the financial transaction for shipping the item

4 (e) preparing said item for shipment,

5 (f) placing the item in said kiosk and

6 (g) removing the items from said kiosk and facilitating delivery to said destination.

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8 14. The method of claim 13 including the steps of

9 (h) providing said kiosk with a counter top,

10 (i) providing said kiosk with a security depository, and

11 (j) providing said counter top with a tamper proof door opening into said depository.

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13 15. The method of claim 13 including the steps of

14 (h) providing said kiosk with a counter top,

15 (i) providing said counter top with a keyboard connected to a computer capable of
16 printing labels,

17 (j) inputting instructions to said computer by said keyboard facilitating shipment of the
18 items.

1 16. The method of claim 13 including the steps of

2 (h) providing a camera as one of said devices, said camera including means to make a
3 visual permanent record, and

4 (i) using said camera to visually record the item and the passenger.
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6 17. The method of claim 13 including the steps of

7 (h) providing a microphone as one of the devices, said microphone including means to
8 make a permanent audible record, and

9 (i) using said microphone to audibly record the shipping instructions.
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11 18. The method of claim 13 including the steps of

12 (h) providing a security check point manned by security personnel, said security check
13 point having machines to search for prohibited items,

14 (i) detecting at least one prohibited item,

15 (j) said security personnel taking possession of said item,

16 (k) manning said kiosk with personnel,

17 (l) said security personnel delivering said prohibited item to said kiosk personnel, and

18 (m) said kiosk personnel taking possession of said prohibited item for shipment.
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